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Reeve Jim McMahon
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County scores big bucks

Lutterworth Pines and Buckslide bridge among the beneficiaries

by GREG HOEKSTRA
 Times Staff

The new saying around municipal offices in Haliburton County might as well be "Thank God it's Monday."

Late last week, county councillors and staff were devastated to learn that the province had rejected a request for \$1.8 million to fix a stretch of County Road 21 from Soyers Lake Road to Peninsula Drive.

But on Monday night, Warden Eleanor Harrison said she was practically "dancing around the council table" after learning that the county had been successful in an entirely different grant application, this time to the tune of nearly \$2.5 million.

"Let's just say I'm feeling a lot better than I was on Friday," said Harrison in an interview with the Times on Tuesday. "Most of us had a really bad weekend, but yesterday there was a lot of elation."

If the grant hadn't come through, county councillors

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Haliburton County's new Idol

Kelsey Crowe sings one of three songs on her way to becoming the 2008 Haliburton County Idol at the Northern Lights Pavilion on Friday night. See page 3 for full story. Matt James photo

Minden taxes go up 2.9%

by JENN WATT
 Times Staff

Barely surpassing the rate of inflation, Minden Hills's 2008 tax increase of just 2.9 per cent passed

at council on March 27 with no comment.

Municipal expenses for the coming year are forecast at \$10.5 million and the increase to residential tax-

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Into thin ice

Snowmobiles take the plunge in chilly waters

by GREG HOEKSTRA
 Times Staff

Sometimes water and snowmobiles just don't mix, and this past weekend was a stark reminder of just that.

On Saturday afternoon officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment were called to Boshkung Lake after reports that two snowmobiles had been abandoned in open water near the mouth of the Beech River.

While attending the scene officers found the two machines still in the water and two sets of footprints leading to Highway 35.

The two drivers were located the following evening and it was learned that they hadn't suffered any injuries as a result of the accident, which happened Friday evening.

Constable Mark McMaster said the incident is still under investigation, but as of yet no charges have been laid.

"It's not considered an accident unless there's personal injury or damage to the vehicle," said McMaster. "So in that case they weren't obligated to call but it does make us wonder why they wouldn't call and whether there was alcohol involved. Then again, maybe they were just unfamiliar with the lake."

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THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL OF BANNERS selection committee has chosen most of the between 65 and 72 winners for the "My favourite ..." competition. Deborah Lyons, who organized the process, said the judges chose based on a clear image, good use of colour and its adherence to the theme.

Minimum wage increase

The minimum wage went up on Monday to \$8.75 an hour from \$8. And despite worries that it will reduce jobs for young people, Minden Valumart and IGA both say hours won't be reduced and neither will staff. "I won't be cutting anyone's hours because of it, I run a pretty tight ship here," says Linda Easton, owner of Valumart.

Library expansion to start mid-May

The 5,000-square-foot library expansion in Minden is nearly ready to go to tender. The addition will connect to the current library, which will be turned into meeting space and be built on the parking lot. "We're expecting a start date ... in mid-May," says property operations manager Bob Romberg.

Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser

The Kin Club is gearing up for its third Cystic Fibrosis yard sale and is asking for donations of furniture, toys, tools and clothes from the public to sell. Last year the yard sale made over \$1,000. Donations can be dropped off at the trailer at 26 Prince St. The yard sale takes place May 16 through 18 at the same location.

Movie buffs rejoice!

We may not have a theatre, but Minden will have movies. Rick Cox, community services director, says that he's trying to get movie nights off the ground. "As much as possible I will aim for movies not yet available on DVD," he said in an e-mail. Movies will be the second Sunday of every month and every other Tuesday night. He said while children's movies have been successful in the past, he's had little interest in adult movies so far.



Martha Perkins/TIMES

Hurry up high speed

People who are tired of the slow speed of dial-up came to the county office on Friday to ask representatives of Bell Aliant, including Jim Neubauer, second from right, when high speed is coming to a neighbourhood near them. Those who own property near Ox Narrows heard good news. The service is coming, this month, to the following roads: Kushog Lake Road south to approximately 911 # 2800, all of Kabakwa Lake, all of Welch Lake and Lower Welch Lake, Hwy 35 south to approximately 911 #18107 and south on Shangri La Road to 911 #1948. Meanwhile, Bell will take a serious look at areas where there is a demonstrated demand. Neubauer suggests people work with their lake associations to draw up lists of potential customers.

Rain and warm weather may cause flooding

Officials in the City of Kawartha Lakes are concerned about the possibility of flooding in the Burnt River watershed given the large snow load.

Representatives from the city's public works, emergency services, and health and social services departments, along with representatives from Trent Severn Waterways, Kawartha Conservation, Hydro One, and the Ontario Provincial Police participated in a meeting hosted by Councillor Dave Hodgson last week.

The general consensus was that there is a very strong possibility of flooding this year. Fortunately, with the warm days and freezing nights the melt is occurring slowly.

In addition, the lack of frost in the ground is causing the water to go into the ground, and because of the dry summer last year there is plenty of capacity for water.

For those vulnerable to flooding the following suggestions were made:

- start moving furniture to the upper levels of your residence
- fill a sufficient supply of sand bags from the supply provided by the City of Kawartha Lakes
- if possible make arrangements with friends or family for accommodation should it be necessary to evacuate your home.

Puddle-jumper hits ice, thrown off snowmobile

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On Sunday afternoon officers were called to investigate a second incident involving a snowmobile and open water, this time on Red Pine Lake in Algonquin Highlands.

According to reports, a male driver had been running his 700cc snowmobile over a portion of open water when he struck some ice, causing him to go airborne. McMaster said the extent of the man's injuries were unknown, but he did need to be taken by ambulance to the Haliburton hospital as a result of the crash.

In the wake of these incidents and with warmer temperatures on the horizon the OPP is asking snowmobilers to be cautious while driving on lakes and waterways.

While there is no law against running open water, McMaster said drivers need to exercise common sense and steer clear of areas that could endanger their own lives, as well as others.

"The second incident is a perfect example of what can happen when you run open water. You might make it across 20 times just fine, but then you hit one piece of ice and you're in trouble," he said.

"Not only are people risking their own lives [by running open water], but they're risking the lives of those who try to rescue them.

"Unfortunately, sometimes you can't teach people common sense."

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Minden's Kelsey Crowe gets crowned

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

"Amazing," said Kelsey Crowe after being asked what it's like to be the winner of the 2008 Haliburton County Idol on Friday night at the Northern Lights Pavilion. "It feels amazing!"

Kelsey entered the contest because she loves performing and being in front of a crowd. Winning was simply a bonus.

When choosing her songs the 15-year-old Minden teen admitted she was cautious and selective. "Country is not my strong point so I tried to pick a song I knew I could sing and that was up tempo."

Her second song was "Much More" from the movie *The Fantastics*. She, like a couple of the other six contestants, decided to sing a song a cappella — without accompaniment. It was much more difficult to sing it this way but it was still in the comfort zone of a young singer who's already performed in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*, *A Chorus Line*, *Annie Jr.* and, more recently, *Man of La Mancha*.

For her final entry Kelsey sang "The Rose" popularized by Bette Midler, her favourite of the three.

"The lyrics to me are just so beautiful. It's a song everyone can relate with because it's about hope," she says.

The seven contestants were Sarah Varty, Miranda Lauricella, Kirsi Parnoja, Janice Kiteley, Amelia Edmunds, Katrina Chvedukas and of course Kelsey. Haliburton Idol is a fundraising initiative for SIRCH consulting.

Before the show began guests were served culinary treats prepared by Melissa Stephens and the hospitality and tourism students at HHSS. After a taste or two, guests filed into the theatre where master of ceremonies Mike Jaycock began the show.

The format was a three-round elimination. The audience

and three Idol judges, Sandra Dupret, Roxanne Casey and Kris Kadwell, voted for their favourite singer in each round. Two singers were eliminated after each round, leaving five girls for round two and three girls to battle it out in the third and final round for the title of Haliburton County Idol.

As the lights dimmed Janice Kiteley took to the stage, guitar in hand, and opened the country and western round with her rendition of Taylor Swift's "Teardrops On My Guitar."

Kelsey picked the fun and up-tempo song "Suds In The Bucket," by Sara Evans' but it was Amelia who captured the attention of the judges with Patsy Cline's "Crazy."

"You had that smoky lounge effect. I liked it," said Dupret.

For round two the contestants chose music from Broadway or Hollywood. Katrina, when asked by Jaycock why she selected "Wind Beneath My Wings" by Bette Midler, answered, "Because my mom likes the song."

It came down to Kelsey, Katrina and Amelia for the final round and after the audience votes were tallied Jaycock, on a pitch-black stage, began to introduce the winner.

"Ladies and gentlemen, your 2008 Haliburton County Idol winner for 2008 is..."

And just before he revealed the name a spotlight flashed from above illuminating Crowe as the winner.

To end the evening Kelsey sang "Suds In The Bucket" once again and was joined by the other contestants who, with plenty of class, came out singing, clapping, and dancing as Kelsey closed the show.

So what does winning Haliburton County Idol mean to Kelsey Crowe?

"Well first I'm just really proud to be representing Haliburton County in that artistic field," she said. "And I think it's going to be cool that I'm going to get some air time on Canoe FM."

Music has simply been a part of Kelsey's life. She start-



Kelsey is given a congratulatory hug and kiss by her mother Shelley at the Northern Lights Pavilion.

ed singing when she was four and performed with the Haliburton County children's choir while taking vocal and piano lessons with Lauren McInnes.

She applauds the talents of her fellow contestants. "There were so many performances that were extremely entertaining," she says. "And I had to perform my very best because of my competition. All of the girls came out as winners to me and we're all so blessed to live in a community where we get so much support. We could all definitely feel that in the theatre."

Kelsey was very appreciative of the experience, so much so that she asked to make one last comment.

"I'd like to thank SIRCH, especially Wendy Ladurantaye, and Mike Jaycock from Canoe," said Kelsey. "And I'd like to thank the judges for their kind words because they definitely put us at ease."

Councillor disagrees with putting money aside for potential pay hike

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payers makes up about \$4.5 million of that, leaving the rest to government transfers and service charges.

"I couldn't conscientiously come to this council with a five per cent increase. I think this is a responsible budget. I think we are moving ahead," said councillor Peter Oyler at the committee of the whole meeting where he presented the budget March 13.

Oyler, who chairs the finance committee, said the modest increase was enough to keep programming moving forward without overstretching the taxpayer.

There were contentious issues during the debate over the budget, however, particularly from councillor Barbara Reid who felt that the parks budget was too large when there was no clear strategy being implemented.

"I'm not sure that we have a parks strategy in this municipality and we may want to spend some time thinking about what we are doing in this area. I have a real concern of the direction spending is taking in this part of our municipality relative to other things like roads," said Reid, who pointed out that the parks budget is \$118,000 higher than the actuals for 2006, even when the \$170,000 Riverwalk project is removed.

She was also concerned with \$20,000 designated for increasing the salaries of non-union staff in the event that the municipality adjusts them in the future.

"I just have a hard time budgeting for retroactive salary increases when we

don't have any evidence - we haven't even finished the study - we haven't had people leaving their jobs to go to other municipalities where they can get more money. We're in an area of underemployment; to budget for this kind of increase I think is premature and doesn't have enough facts behind it," she said, referring to a study that is underway comparing Minden's payment of department heads to other jurisdictions.

Other councillors disagreed with Reid's sentiments, saying that Minden should try to keep up with other townships in order to maintain excellent staffing.

"It's premature and doesn't have enough facts behind it."

BARBARA REID

"In the modern world, you have to pay your people within a reasonable rate of the other jurisdictions around you. I would find fault with the fact that we're not doing that," said deputy-reeve

Cheryl Murdoch.

Minden has designated \$20,000 of last year's \$60,000 surplus to salary increases, although no decision has been made about whether that will be paid out.

The winter roads maintenance budget was increased after councillor Bill Obee pointed out that the township overspent the 2007 budget and would be set to do it again if another severe winter came in 2008. Minden has now budgeted to spend \$330,100 on winter road maintenance.

Minden's budget also assumed that the provincial government would grant the nearly \$500,000 needed to update the Lutterworth Pines water system. On Friday, the province announced that it would indeed fund that project.

Province turns on taps for Lutterworth Pines

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Lutterworth Pines's new water system will be fully funded by the province, Minden Hills learned Friday.

The announcement of the winners (and losers) from the provincial Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative was "really good news" for Minden for the second year in a row.

"We've done very, very well in the last two years from the provincial government. We've got \$1.4 million in just two years," said Reeve Jim McMahon on Monday.

The municipality had been banking, literally, on nearly \$500,000 from the province for the water system, which needs to be totally reconstructed.

The Ministry of the Environment ordered Minden to take over Lutterworth Pines's water system in November 2005, and its 28 residents had been on a boil-water advisory since 2002.

McMahon said the municipality was cautiously optimistic about funding after speaking with the minister for public infrastructure renewal, David Caplan, at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference in February.

"He sort of left us with a warm and fuzzy feeling that we would have a real good chance because it was the province that issued the court order for us to take [the water system] over and we said, 'Well, that's fine we'll take it over, but where's the infrastructure money?' We pled our case and obviously he listened," McMahon said.

"There'll be a new well, pumping station, new pipes, new everything. We're just keeping our fingers crossed that the monies we got from the provincial government will cover the whole project," he said, adding that the municipality hopes to have the new system in place by fall of this year.

Last year, Minden received \$950,000 for the construction of R.D. Lawrence Place and the library extension.

Likewise, Dysart et al got news that its new library would receive funds from the infrastructure grant.

"I feel good," said reeve Murray



Lutterworth Pines has had a boil-water advisory since 2002. A water leak in February didn't help matters.

Fearrey, reacting to the announcement that his municipality will get \$1.3 million toward the construction of a new library in Haliburton. "We got exactly what we asked for."

Initial estimates are that it will cost slightly more than \$2 million to build a 5,000-square-foot library in a corner of Head Lake Park on York Street. The \$1.3 million grant is money the municipality won't have to borrow for the new building.

But not everyone in the county was celebrating on Friday as Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East got the news that the province wouldn't be giving them anything.

In the provincial funding game, Fearrey noted that last year Dysart didn't get any of the money for its infrastructure improvement proposal.

The province likely divvied up the designated \$450 million between various ministries, and priorities may have shifted. Last year many roads projects were funded; this year the emphasis seemed to be on other types of projects.

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Goodbye winter

It's a telltale sign that winter's coming to a close when the ice huts disappear from

Carnarvon's 12 Mile Lake. On Sunday, the last of the fishermen hit the ice for one last shot at catching a trophy fish before calling it a season. The Ministry of Natural Resources' deadline for ice hut removal in this region was Monday, March 31.

County bids on 2010 Summer Games

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the March 26 county council meeting.

Council pledged \$200,000 in cash and in-kind support for the 2010 Ontario Summer Youth Games if Haliburton's bid to hold the sports event for youth between the ages of 13 and 22 is successful.

Dennis Casey, who is preparing the bid, and Bob Smith, the director of economic development, said that event locations, finance and accommodations have been mapped out.

Council was told that there are only three locations bidding for the chance to host the games but that Sport Alliance, the organizer, won't give out the names.

However, the Sudbury Star reported on March 28 that Sudbury has put in a bid for the games as well. The third bidder is not yet known.

The games will bring about 3,000 athletes and their families and coaches to the area.

Drinking and the prom

Party in the Right Spirit – an alcohol and drugs awareness program for students attending the high school prom – will receive \$1,000 from council. Constable Mark McMaster from the Minden OPP presented the project, which will be an all-day event with lunch and sessions on the risks involved with the use of drugs and alcohol. During the day, EMS, nurses, health unit staff and police will all be addressing the students. This is the first time Haliburton County has held such an event, which McMaster hopes will run annually.

No county rep on HHHS

County council will no longer have a representative on the health services board, after Dysart et al reeve Murray Fearrey told the group it was just too much extra work for a county councillor.

"I found myself just not able to attend there. In my view, it's not very good to attending a regular meeting and sitting there, rubber stamping stuff you haven't looked at," he said.

County will continue to get the minutes

from the board to stay abreast of anything political.

Broadband funding

Haliburton politicians urged the provincial and federal governments for more money to improve physical and Internet infrastructure at the Ontario Good Roads conference in Toronto, said Warden Eleanor Harrison.

"The broadband coverage is still a priority. We're urging that funding be continued until connectivity is achieved throughout Eastern Ontario," she said.

The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus also presented the government with recommendations on the four-year, \$80-million funding for the region, suggesting the money be broken into five streams: business attraction and investment readiness; access to capital; local business development/capacity building; training and internships; and regional development projects.

The February conference was attended by premier Dalton McGuinty, federal finance minister Jim Flaherty and leader of the provincial opposition, John Tory.

Canadian Tire gets final green light

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The Canadian Tire site plan was approved with only minor concerns from Minden Hills council last Thursday.

Councillor Peter Oyler was worried about light pollution from the planned 12-metre-tall light standards.

Zelinka Priamo Limited representative, Jonathan Rodger assured council that the lights would only be on during some of the night hours, and that these lights are designed specifically to avoid ruining the darkness of night.

Rick Hunter, a planning consultant for Minden, said the lights are "dark-sky compliant."

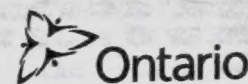
The company plans to start building in late August 2008. Rodger said that Canadian Tire should be up and running in the spring of 2009.



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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Provincial grants demean democratic process

MINDEN HILLS AND ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS went through a rollercoaster of emotions over the past week as the province announced the results of two big grants, the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative and a roads and bridges grant.

One was announced Friday and the other Monday.

Minden Hills was lucky and got funding for both - \$981,000 for roads and nearly \$500,000 for Lutterworth Pines' water system - while Algonquin Highlands was told it got nothing on Friday and then that it got \$543,000 on Monday.

Reeve Jim McMahon said that Minden pled its case to the provincial minister responsible for awarding the infrastructure grant and was given a positive response, but should it be that way at all?

All of the municipalities' budgets have been held up waiting for the province to announce grant funding. They all applied for various projects such as fixing roads and bridges and building new libraries, but none could be certain of success.

Given that the provincial grant money comes from the tax dollars generated from our population, is it fair to keep everyone up in the air for so long?

Certainly the municipalities and the county aren't thrilled with waiting for grant money and they probably don't like begging for a chunk of the funding either.

Isn't there a better way that guarantees each municipality gets a certain amount of dependable money each year so these things can be planned for?

This year, most ended up happy by the time both announcements were made, but the whole demeaning process - that the province should be able to declare what projects are worth money and which are not - seems backward.

Because even though we get our grants for Lutterworth Pines and Buckslide bridge this year doesn't mean we'll get funding for what is necessary next year. Given the money came from us to begin with, don't we deserve a little more stability?

All winners get nominated first

The Chamber of Commerce awards dinner was a windfall for Haliburton but a disappointment for Minden. Not one Minden business or individual won an award this year.

The west side of the county did receive the warden's choice award for the Dorset Snowball, but otherwise the accolades were placed firmly in Dysart et al.

It may look like Minden's getting the cold shoulder but in reality it has a lot more to do with the town's lack of participation than being shut out.

All of the nominations for the various awards come from the community. If the community doesn't nominate anyone - as was the case with Highlander of the Year - no one from the community is chosen.

It is incredible how Haliburton-heavy the awards were but there is a good reason: they nominated each other.

Minden has the talent to sweep the awards, it just needs to get out and nominate itself.

- Jenn Watt

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All the King's men

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

To burn or not to burn

To the residents of Minden Hills:

As of April 1 no daytime burning is permitted. This includes burn barrels without a burning permit. You are permitted to burn two hours before sunset and the fire must be totally out two hours after sunrise unless there is a total fire ban, when no burning is permitted any time of day.

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Doug Schell
Minden Hills Fire Chief

Libraries could be cutting into small market

To the Editor:

Re: Jenn Watt's editorial Mar. 19, 2008 and her commentary about our local libraries. If I was a local author and/or publisher I would not be thrilled if the local library purchased my work. If I was trying to recover the cost of publishing my work and the library bought two or three copies it would greatly reduce the already small market place. Our local libraries may be aware of this.

Respectfully,
John Mallon,
Minden

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Smooth as silk

LIKE MANY OUTDOORSMEN, I enjoy reading nostalgic stories about the old days when hunting was a little less sophisticated. Gordon McQuarrie's *The Old Duck Hunters Inc.* stories are excellent examples of great outdoor writing, where lore and know-how, rather than equipment and trophies, are king. McQuarrie's characters, live, breath, and sleep the outdoors; they love the landscape and adore the game animals they pursue in an innocent way that's actually quite heart-warming. For them, it's not about success; it's about being there as nature's pageantry parades by – and that's a feeling I think most outdoors enthusiasts can relate to.

Another thing I like about these stories is the lore and trivia that they pass on. For instance, did you know that in the old days waterfowlers used to wear silk stockings? They did so because silk was lightweight and it kept you warm. Though no one ever specified, I assume that they

wore clothes over their stockings too.

I've been considering this lately – just to know how it feels, mind you. Unfortunately, I don't think I am emotionally ready for silk stockings, so instead I decided to start off small. So let me confess that right now, I'm wearing silk boxer shorts that my wife bought me a while ago.

First, let me just say, if you've never worn these things before, you're really missing out. Heck, it's like putting your mid-section in on a cloud – everything

just floats there and glides along the path of least resistance as you walk. I almost want accompanying music like the theme from 2001, A Space Odyssey playing as I walk.

Oh yeah. Truthfully, it's like being caressed by a warm spring breeze. In fact,

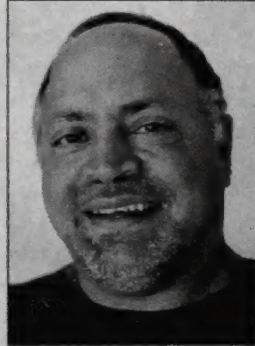
I'm actually considering jogging to the mailbox and back when I've finished this column. The feeling is that good. And they're warm too.

This wonderful experience has made me very curious about the actual reasons that the old duck hunters wore silk stockings. In my mind, I imagine two grizzled old veterans, gritting their teeth as they sit in a duck blind on a cold November morning and

face the frigid spray whipped up by a violent, howling north wind. Mallards are trading back and forth

in the distance and decoys are riding huge breakers as ice forms on them. The coffee is long cold and fingertips are sallow and numb. Suddenly, one looks at the other and says, "Well, do you feel as pretty as I do?"

I suspect that's just one of the lines that



OUTSIDE CHANCE

Steve Galea

Deck the halls with strings of kibble

IF THERE IS ANY species more self-absorbed than human beings, I cannot imagine what it could be.

Here I am up to the tips of my perky ears with getting ready for the holidays and my human, Neil, and his boss Martha gang up and make me write these 600-plus words. Aim for 666, Neil says.

What a clown! This is his busiest time of the year, he says, with maple syrup keeping him running from can't see to can't see. (He stole that phrase from Stan Rogers and told me I could use it too. Spread around the guilt a little.)

As if this were not my busiest time of the year too, rushing from supermarket to hardware store to LCBO, wrapping gifts and getting the scone stuffing ready for the roast squirrels.

Neil and Martha both think the world should stop for Christmas. My human makes me ride all over the province in the dead of winter just so he can visit his litter mates.

But when I tell him that I am swamped with getting ready for my species' main religious festival and wanting to visit my

family, he pretends not even to understand what I am barking about.

Perhaps it is just as well that he doesn't understand because, after all, we dogs named April Fool's Day for the foolish humans who think they are in charge of us.

So here I sit on Neil's wheeled office chair trying to think of something to write about. I'm not much of a typist, but then, neither is Neil.

The worst part is keeping my ghqw;_l#zz balance, perched in a perfect dog sit while the chair tries to roll out from under me, reaching out one forepaw to type. My nails need clipping (Neil keeps forgetting) and so the laptop keeps going click-click-click as I write.

Neil told me that bland works. Avoid controversy, he said. A good thing, too, because if I wrote about what dogs really think of humans, Martha probably would

ban me from ever writing for the *Times* again.

That would be fine with me.

Here I am trying to think of something to write, and I should be addressing April Fool's Day cards to my relatives at Martintown. At least, that's where I think they are, but they could be anywhere.

It's kind of sad, really. When you are a puppy, you sleep with your litter mates in a kind

of tangled-up, snuggled-up mess. When they breath out, you breath in, and for a while it feels as though the litter is a

single organism.

And then one day somebody comes along and loads you up in their pickup and takes you away and you never see your brothers and sisters, your mother or your grandmother, again.

Humans think family doesn't matter to us but when they notice the sadness that is



BACK OF BEYOND

Brown Dog Jiggs

always in a dog's eyes, they should think about where it comes from.

So I wrap gifts and roast squirrels and string kibble to decorate the tree and hope that Lady or Maggie or Sadie will come to call so that we can sit around and sip Sardine Oil Punch and bark about the good old days.

Humans think dogs only live in the moment but we're even better at nostalgia than they are. And they understand nothing. When I was a pup, before my snub nose grew out like Pinocchio's, Neil picked me up and held me in the crook of his arm.

When I made a deposit on his bare arm, he thought it was charming but it really was my comment on his species. He said that the deposit formed a bond between us, and so he took me away.

And now we wander through the woods around Sapsucker Ridge and I wonder if he will ever notice his surroundings, all the smells and rustlings in the leaves.

To tell the truth, I feel a little sorry for him.

neilcampbell@xplornet.com

Reader appreciates value of local history

To the Editor:

The *Times* has yet again done an excellent job in capturing the attitudes and personality of one of our community's creative individuals – Michael Fay. It was wonderful to see R.D. Lawrence Place's writer in residence given such prominence in the paper.

Jenn Watt's story in the March 26 paper talks about the value of a community understanding its history. Indeed, here at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, we are always working on providing that type of

insight. The current colourful exhibition at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery of folk art is a fascinating and often humorous look at our history. The staff at the Minden Hills Museum is working on researching the stories behind artefacts in the collection, not to mention putting together the pieces of a Minden Hills family tree. At R.D. Lawrence Place, we are currently pulling together an exhibit that will allow visitors to explore the life of a Canadian icon, Ron Lawrence.

Given the value we put on history, it is

important to let readers know that while Michael is our first writer in residence at the R.D. Lawrence Place, the first writer in residence for the Cultural Centre was Pauline Johnson. Pauline has been a driving force behind the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network. She is so passionate about providing writers with opportunities to expose new readers to their work or expand on their skills, that she spent countless hours for two years as the writer in residence while organizing workshops, events and two

anthologies of local writing.

The latest of which, *Liaisons II*, the R.D. Lawrence commemorative edition, will be available for sale at the R.D. Lawrence Place grand opening on April 22.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say bravo to the *Times* staff for putting together an environmentally themed issue to celebrate Earth Hour.

Thanks for the hard work,

Sheryl Loucks

R.D. Lawrence Place Coordinator

Public outcry leads to three bags per week

by JENN WATT
Times staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the March 27 Minden Hills council meeting.

Minden Hills landfills will now allow users three free bags of garbage per week, council decided. After eliminating the orange tags at the end of February, the municipality tried out a one-bag-a-week rule but public opposition caused them to reconsider.

Despite passing the motion, most councillors said three bags a week was overly generous. Councillor Bill Obee said he still thought the tags were the best system.

"I still have some concerns. I still think tags are the fair way of making the decision, versus how many bags per week," he said.

Reeve Jim McMahon agreed. "This is better than what it was [one bag a week] and I share [Obee's] feelings. If you send out 50 tags and they use them up within three or four months, then you know what, then you're on your own, you pay a buck a bag. And that's something that committee ... will further discuss. This is better than what it is right now," McMahon said.

Councillor Rick Ratcliffe said that while he supported the motion, he didn't understand how anyone would generate that amount of waste anyway.

"I take exception to the letters that have been in the newspapers as to the garbage issue. I almost feel that I should be replying when one individual says, 'When I have company come up on the weekend I generate more garbage.' Well, if he's going to the garbage dump with one or two bags, how much of that is real garbage and how much is recycling?" he said.

The waste management committee for Minden and at the county level will continue to discuss the rules around number of bags. Ultimately, all municipalities want to have standard rules around garbage, but nothing has been decided yet.

The motion passed in council said the three free bags policy would start "immediately" and that any more garbage after that would come at a charge of \$1 a bag.

COUNCIL BRIEFS

Minden Hills

Benefit dance

Rental fees for the Minden Community Centre have been waived for the benefit dance for the family of Teresa Kasepchuck, a 26-year-old Minden woman who was killed in a car accident March 12.

"I know that the family is in real need and I know the community has really pulled together and I'd like to personally support them on this," said McMahon.

Some concern was raised over whether giving the group the centre for free would open the doors to other worthy causes asking for the same – something that would be financially unsustainable for the town.

It was noted, however, that there is a limited pool of money allocated for these requests available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Help for lake planning

Lake associations will be getting help with their planning processes from the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations and the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council. Nicole Tuyten, stewardship co-ordinator, and Samantha Brown, lake planning co-ordinator, told council about their plans to join with local lake associations to put together tools for lake planning.

There are 2,499 families who are part of FOCA in Minden Hills, and over 6,500 in the county, and all have been invited to a stakeholders' meeting on April 19 at the fish hatchery.

Oyler said that lake associations should be aware of the official plans of both Minden Hills and Haliburton County when they make their lake plans.

Brown and Tuyten noted that the tools developed through this process should eliminate the need for associations to go to expensive consultants for help with plans in the future.

Arts education funding

Council advanced the Agnes Jamieson Gallery \$1,000 toward a grant program run by the Ontario Arts Endowment Fund and the Trillium Foundation for arts education programming.

"What happens is an investment from the community, for example \$1,000, is returned threefold and \$3,000 comes back from the Arts Endowment Fund to develop arts education programming in the schools, through workshops, a variety of sources," said Dianne Graham, former director of the Cultural Centre.

Graham also took the opportunity to thank council and staff for all of their support of her and the Cultural Centre over the years with a special thanks to CAO Gerry Morrison. She was accompanied by the new director, Daniela Pagliaro.

Scrap metal removal for tender, e-waste remains

Removal of scrap metal from Minden's landfill sites will go to tender after meetings with the county waste taskforce revealed that revenue could be generated from this waste for individual municipalities. While supporting the tender process, Oyler was frustrated that provincial rules allow for a private individual to collect scrap metal, but do not allow a private individual to collect electronic waste.

"We currently have scrap metal taken from the dump. How is this situation any different from the request from the gentleman from Algonquin Highlands in respect to removal of e-waste?" Oyler asked environment and property operations manager Bob Romberg.

Romberg explained that the province issues certificates of approval for what can go on at each landfill and while Minden's certificates include the collection of metal by a private individual, they do not allow the same of electronics.

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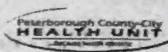
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Jenni Muise, Jan Cox, and Ron Mahler (from left) look on as fellow bowler and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School teacher Brad Tait bowls for a spare during a fundraiser for The Bridge Youth Centre and Haliburton Highlands Youth Unlimited at Minden Lanes on Saturday. The event raised more than \$5,600.



Sylvia Claridge uses a more simplistic approach while bowling for St. George's Anglican Church.



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April 24 Council, Council Chambers 9 AM
April 26 HHWEN Concert R.D. Lawrence Place
April 26 Spring Art Fashion Show - Agnes Jamieson Gallery 6pm
July 4 Every Yard Counts - nomination deadline
All applications must be received on or before 4:00 on Friday, April 11th, 2008

LANDFILL SITE NOTICE

Please be advised that Council, at their regular Council meeting on March 27th, 2008 passed a resolution to allow not more than three clear bags of garbage per week at no charge, to be disposed of by any resident of the Township of Minden Hills; further bags are to be charged at \$1.00 per bag.

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It takes a village to host a carnival

Dorset Snowball chosen by warden for Chamber award

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

Every year on the third weekend of February, every community in Haliburton County is jealous of Dorset. How does it manage to attract hundreds of paying visitors to its Snowball winter carnival?

Well, as county warden Eleanor Harrison said on Saturday night when she presented the Dorset Snowball committee with her warden's choice award at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce gala, it takes a community to plan a carnival.

Although she put the committee's name on the plaque, it's the entire village of Dorset that deserves the accolades, she said. Everyone in Dorset rallies behind the annual event, which has something to offer people of all ages, indoors and out, for the entire day. There are 100 volunteers who help with the day; planning for next year's event starts virtually the day after this year's ends.

The carnival started 18 years ago. In 2006, the committee sold 1,330 buttons,

Martha Perkins/TIMES



Accepting the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce achievement awards on behalf of their businesses and organizations were, from left, front row: Evelyn Beeby of the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Janet Tice of the Kosy Korner, Highlander of the Year Caryl Miller, and Erin Lynch and Sandi Luck of the Art Hive. Back row: Alan Roberts of Patient News Publishing, Jim Tice of the Kosy Korner, Jim Jones of the Dorset Snowball committee and young entrepreneur Tiffany Howe.

which serve as visitors' passports to all the events. The next year 1,530 buttons were sold. This past February the committee set a record of more than 1,700 buttons.

For the past 13 years, Jim Jones has served as the committee's chairman. He and his wife attended the gala dinner at the Delta Pinestone Resort at the behest of Harrison, not knowing why they had been asked until the awards were presented.

He thanked Algonquin Highlands council for its support of Dorset Snowball, especially since it allows recreation coordinator Melissa Alfano to spend so much time helping to organize the event.

A true ambassador, he reminded the crowd

that next year's event is February 21.

The warden's award was one of many presented that night. As MC Mike Jaycock told the crowd, this county is stronger because of all the people and businesses that work together to create a vibrant collection of communities.

The Highlander of the Year award went to Caryl Miller, one of the founders of Highlands Little Theatre and one of the driving forces behind the creation of the Northern Lights Pavilion. Other nominees were Dave Allen and Mike Jaycock of Canoe FM, Karen Phipps of the Food for Kids program and Aggie Tose of the home builders association and Relay for Life.

The Kosy Korner restaurant earned the Small Business of the Year award, having served patrons on Haliburton's main street for 75 years. The other nominees were the Wild Orchid restaurant and Wind in the Willows Day Spa.

Patient News Publishing won the Large Business of the Year award. It sends customized newsletters to the patients of more than 1,700 dentists in North America

and the United Kingdom. The other nominee was Haliburton Lumber.

The New Business of the Year award went to the Art Hive, an artists' collective in the old general store in Maple Lake. The other nominee was the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Principal Gary Brohman presented the Youth of the Year awards to Jesse Brookes, a "shining star" of the co-op program, and Maddie Ferracuti, who volunteers in many school activities.

The Young Entrepreneur of the Year award was presented to Tiffany Howe, who organized the Newfangers Art Festival for other young artists. The other nominee was Adam Tomlinson of Brightwoods Landscaping.

And the Not-For-Profit Business of the Year was awarded to the Haliburton County Development Corporation, which has given out \$33 million in loans over its 22 years, creating 3,000 jobs. The other nominee was the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the OPP.

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Lights off for Earth Hour

Just before 2:30 p.m. on March 27 Archie Stouffer Elementary School prime minister Loretta Kerr began the count-down for Earth Hour. All lights, except those needed for safety, were turned off as well as computers, microwaves, and any other electronic devices.

Inside Sue Ferren's Grade 1/2 class, students watched the National Geographic Society video *Arctic Tale*, a documentary about the life cycle of a walrus and a polar bear. In addition the kids were given a map of a town where their task was to find people 'going green'.



Nick Rowden, left, Kyle Davis and Mackenzie Mulock in Sue Ferren's Gr. 1/2 class search on a map for people who are 'going green'.

CARNARVON LANES

Tuesday night Mar. 25

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High Single: Jostin Burk 235
High Single w/hdcp: Don Nickell 273
High Triple: Ken Thompson, Don Nickell 634
High Triple w/hdcp Don Nickell 751
Women High Average: Marlene Robinson 191
High Single: Mae Newcombe 220
High Single w/hdcp: Mae Newcombe 312
High Triple: Marlene Robinson 541
High Triple w/hdcp: Marlene Robinson 622

Wednesday afternoon Mar. 26

Men High Average: Ken Thompson 221
High Average: High Single: Robert Terro 248
High Single w/hdcp: Robert Terro 284
High triple: Ken Thompson 601

High Triple w/hdcp: Robert Terro 697
Women High Average: Carol Snow 170
High Single: Anne Lampman 215
High Single w/hdcp: Anne Lampman 277
High Triple: Carol Snow 576
High Triple w/hdcp: Carol Snow 708

Thursday afternoon Mar. 27

Men High Average: Ken Thompson 218
High Single: Ken Thompson 222
High Single w/hdcp: Lindsay Plougman 252
High Triple: Ken Thompson 597
High Triple w/hdcp: Lindsay Plougman 685
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Funding takes roads burden off taxpayers

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would have had to make some tough decisions about what to do with County Road 21. If ratepayers were to make up for the provincial shortfall, the tax increase could have been as high as 18 per cent for that project alone (every \$100,000 in spending is a one-per-cent increase in the proposed taxes).

But with the new grant, which comes from the Ministry of Transportation, the county will not only be able to fix up County Road 21, but also address other county roads that haven't been worked on in some time.

"Some of the older county roads sometimes go to the wayside, and that's just because the downloaded highways take so much of the county's dollars," said Harrison. "This will let us put extra money towards roads like County Road 8 and County Road 14, and I believe we'll also be doing some bridge work."

Under the same program Minden Hills received more than \$981,000, Algonquin Highlands received more than \$543,000, Highlands East received more than \$654,000, and Dysart et al received more than \$1,346,000.

All money from these grants must go towards roads needs or bridge repair. In Algonquin Highlands, the money will be used to fix the

Buckslide dam bridge, which Harrison said is in dire need of repairs and could cost the township as much as \$1.1 million.

"[The \$543,000] won't cover the whole project but it will certainly be very helpful," said Harrison. "It may now be a project we can break up over two years. At this point it's hard to say; we haven't really had time to digest everything yet."

But as happy as Monday's announcement made Harrison, she said she's still disappointed by Friday's news that the county, Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East didn't receive any funding from the Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal's Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative.

Under that program Dysart was granted an additional \$1.3 million to build a new library, while Minden Hills was given nearly half a million for a new water system at Lutterworth Pines. (For more on that story see page 4).

"Monday's news was great, but I don't think we can totally downplay that two municipalities and the county didn't receive anything last week," she said.

"The county ended up with \$2.4 million, but we could have had an extra \$1.8. Just think of what that extra money could have done."

- With files from Martha Perkins



Greg Hoekstra/TIMES

Making her move

Emily Shapiera, a Grade 7 student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, plots her strategy during a chess match at the Trillium Lakelands District School Board's chess championship in Haliburton last Friday.

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Learn everything about garlic at workshop



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Mark your calendars for the garlic workshop, sponsored by the Haliburton County Farmers Association which will be held April 16 at the Minden Community Centre Room 2 starting at 7 p.m.

There will be interactive demonstrations and discussions with Charlie Robb, our own local garlic guru. You will learn how to grow your own garlic from the preparation of soil to harvesting and storage.

You will also be instructed on the many ways of cooking with garlic. This is good to know because as any good Italian knows garlic goes into everything... well almost everything. There will be taste testing with locally grown garlic.

You will learn things such as: Canada grows some of the finest garlic in the world. Did you know that?

Documented in many ancient books and inscriptions was the fact that people used to eat garlic before making a

journey at night. It made them belch and give out stinky breath that kept the evil spirits from getting close, since everyone knows that garlic will ward off demons, evil spirits and vampires.

Ancient Egyptians used to give a daily ration of it to their slaves to ward off illness and to increase strength and endurance. In fact, 15 pounds of garlic used to buy a healthy male slave. What I thought was interesting was that when Moses led the Hebrew slaves out of Egypt they complained of missing the finer things of life – fish, cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic.

Did you know that garlic works well as a garden remedy to discourage unwanted insects such as aphids and white flies? The recipe is a chopped onion, a teaspoon of cayenne pepper and three cloves of garlic along with four cups of water. Blend and allow to stand 24 hours, then strain and spray. Or interplant rows of garlic between rows of veggies and flowers.

Garlic's secret armory consists of more than 33 active sulfur-containing substances that do battle with enemies such as bacteria, viruses and fungi.

This explains why as kids our ma used to put a string of garlic around our necks to fight off illness. This probably also explains why we didn't have too many friends.

Okay this is important: its botanical name is *allium sativum*, derived from two sources, the Celtic word *allium* meaning "hot or burning" and the Latin second name *sativum* meaning "cultivated." Will you remember this?

Charlie shared his knowledge with us many years ago and we are proud of our little patch of garlic plants. What seemed to be a big mysterious undertaking is actually quite easy. We're hooked and you will be too!

Last Saturday night I was asked to help out at the Hair Lounge for the Barry Canning concert. Apparently Mark Christiano didn't have anyone else to make the cappuccinos. He must have figured being from an Italian background it would be a given that I would know. No Mark, I don't make them – I just drink them. Anyway I was trained by the expert and now I know. This is something else to add to my résumé.

It was an interesting night. Barb Howe and I handled the concession; rather Barb handled the concession and I handled "the machine." In my past I did moonlight as a waitress many times. Now, many years later I have the utmost respect for that profession. Not everyone can do it.

It was fun working and chatting with Barb, a true expert on tea amongst other things.

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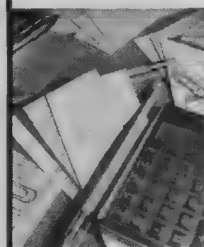
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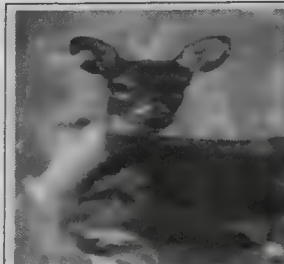
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Horseshoe Lake cottager had humble beginnings

by ANDERSON CHARTERS
Special to The Times

Ralph Campbell, who died recently in Orillia, a year shy of his 90th birthday, had a full and remarkable life.

War hero, Rhodes scholar, principal of Scarborough College at the University of Toronto, president of the University of Manitoba, member of the Order of Canada, and long-time Horseshoe Lake cottager, Ralph Campbell scaled heights that few imagine and that fewer dare.

Bravery, gentleness, decency, empathy – a leader with the common touch – these were the qualities that defined Ralph. They will be underscored at his funeral and at the celebration of his life this Sunday in Orillia.

One purpose of this tribute, however, is to suggest how he personified the dramatic changes in Canadian society that took place in the 20th century. Ralph Campbell grew up on a family farm near the hamlet of Foxboro, Ontario, north of what is now the City of Belleville. This was the self-contained and self-sufficient world of family farms typical of the rural society that was Canada prior to the Second World War. It was a way of life not much different than what had been experienced by previous generations of Canadians: coal oil lanterns, teams of horses to pull the ploughs, and never-ending physical labour.

These rural communities, where a majority of Canadians then lived, were close-knit. Horizons were even closer.

Ralph Campbell was acutely aware of the natural and seasonal rhythms of farm life, as well as the slow dance of human relationships in places where everyone knew everyone else. In his two memoirs, *We Flew By Moonlight* and *From Foxboro,*

“not patriotism or making the world safe for democracy but it was the thought, ‘This war is the biggest thing there has ever been – do you want to miss it?’”

RALPH CAMPBELL

Ontario, he etches this life, not to lament it, but to remind us of what has been lost. For five years after he graduated from high school, Ralph, an only child, threw himself into full-time farming with his parents, Fred and Pearl. Ralph writes that he might have had his entire career on the family farm had the Second World War not intervened.

It was two years into the war when Ralph joined up. What motivated him? He

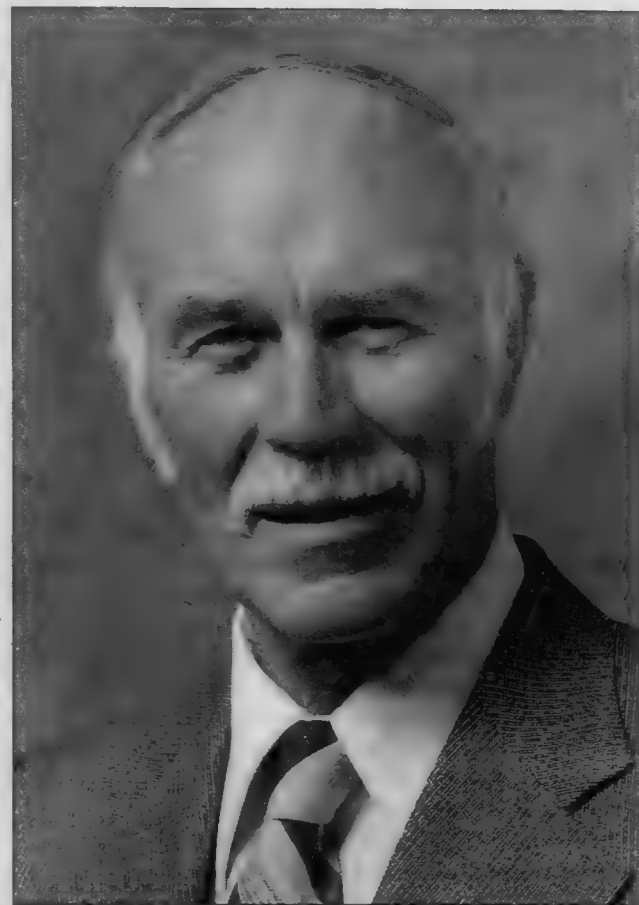
writes: “not patriotism or making the world safe for democracy but it was the thought, ‘This war is the biggest thing there has ever been – do you want to miss it?’” The big and strong farm kid, who, at 23, in his first days as a RCAF recruit in Toronto, had to be informed that perhaps he might consider wearing underwear, matured to become one of Canada’s outstanding pilots in the war. From August, 1944 until May, 1945 Flight Lieutenant Campbell flew the maligned Stirling aircraft, commanding crews of six, deep into occupied Europe as part of Bomber Command. Only two of these ‘ops’ were bombing missions. Most of these flights were supply drops to the Resistance in different countries.

Two incidents undoubtedly cemented the decision to award Ralph Campbell a DFC (Distinguished Flying Cross) and Bar. The first was when he and his crew had to ditch their Stirling in the English Channel. They all survived. The second was when he landed his aircraft engulfed in flames moments after a German intruder scored a direct hit on it as it was approaching base in England. One of his crew died; two were seriously burned.

Ralph flew during the five days of drops to Arnhem (A Bridge Too Far) late September, 1944 when 11 of 26 crews in his 196 Squadron were lost. Bomber Command had by a long margin the highest casualty rates of any arm of the forces during the Second World War. He towed a glider of troops on three of four engines during the Rhine Crossing in the winter of 1945. He writes about this and much more in *We Flew By Moonlight*; for example, about how some of his ops were deferred so a rugby-loving wing commander of his could have him playing in certain matches.

It’s unlikely that the rightness of the Allied cause in the Second World War will ever be seriously questioned. However, there are aspects of Allied strategy that will be debated for as long as history is written. None more so than the role of Bomber Command in the bombing of Germany. *We Flew By Moonlight* brings as nuanced a view as any to this debate.

Ralph Campbell’s return to civilian life again personifies the profound changes the war had brought to Canada. He gave it one more year at the family farm with his parents, but found that he, like his country, “had changed too much.” A grateful nation opened the doors to university education to Ralph and to thousands of other veterans.



Ralph Campbell

They grasped the opportunity and they are partly responsible for the unprecedented prosperity Canada has enjoyed for the last 60 years.

The 26 farm families of Ralph’s pre-war community metamorphosed into something much broader. Not only did Ralph attain university administrative posts of increasing responsibility but he also brought confident Canadian know-how to other countries with stints as an advisor to the Jordanian government and as an advisor to the government of Kenya.

On Remembrance Day, 2004 a small group from Orillia drove to Barrie to have breakfast with former Ontario Premier Bob Rae, who was then preparing a report on the future of university education in the province. The purpose of the meeting: to advocate the decades-long desire of the Orillia community for a university presence in its midst. Unknown to Mr. Rae, one of the Orillia group was Ralph Campbell, who had been a professor and administrator at the University of Toronto when Mr. Rae was a student there during the 1960s. When Bob Rae saw Ralph that morning, he walked over to him and kissed him on the cheek. Mr. Rae’s action demonstrated something we sense – that Ralph Campbell represented the better half of ourselves.

Perhaps Ralph had an intimation of this one night when “over the black-out of France some kindly person opened and closed his or her farmhouse door allowing the light to stream out in a dih dih dih dah – V for Victory symbol.”

Anderson Charters is the publisher of the Canadian Donor’s Guide. He and his family have been long-time cottagers on Halls Lake. Since 1956 Ralph Campbell spent many summers on Horseshoe Lake. He leaves behind his widow, Ruth.

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Long-time Dorset resident loved and worked in the outdoors

by SUZANN GREENAWAY
Special to The Times

Lorne Greenaway was born on September 18, 1920 on the family farm near Woodville, Ontario and raised there along with his brothers Keith, Vern and Harvey. He was taught to think, question and enjoy a good raucous discussion. His work ethic, and his love of animals and the outdoors, were formed on the farm, as was his wonderful sense of play.

Lorne moved north to Dorset in 1943 when he married Jean Lenore Ball (d. January 30, 2005). Together they raised their children Joan Dowling (Bill), Ottawa; Garth Greenaway (Deb), Barrie; Suzann Greenaway (Eric Iverson); Paul Greenaway (Sheila David); Grace Greenaway (Ron Ryan); and Kerry Lock (Len), Dorset; and enriched the lives of their grandchildren Shaun and Tate Greenaway, Julie and Jane Dowling, Lucas and Zachary Lock, Jesse and Cody Ryan, Cole, Bonnie and Shea Greenaway and great-granddaughter Lahlia Greenaway. Their home was a magnet for young people.

His work life reads like a boy's adventure novel - trapper, water taxi operator, fishing guide, riding stable operator, logger, bulldozer operator, road builder, councillor for Sherborne et al, and bear hunt camp operator were all occupations of his at one time or another.

In the 1940s he trapped in the Crown lake area with Archie Mossington and was part of a group that formed an historically important early association of fur harvesters in Dwight Dorset to help secure fair payment for the trappers. He contracted to log near Wolf Lake, on Long Island on Kawagama Lake and near Sault St. Marie employing up to 35 men in the bush. As tourism developed in the Dorset area he began building roads and clearing sites for cottages in the late 1950s. He worked cooperatively with Harvey and Vern Vanclief (Baysville) for more than 20 years. One of their most travelled roads leads to the Dorset Tower.

Lorne's workshop in Dorset became known as the Cat

House when he, his sons and several young Dorset men became enamoured of the Arctic Cat snowmobiles in the late 1960s. He could see them as a useful tool in the bush, and enjoyed racing the machines and all that that entailed. Lorne mentored any number of young men when his Cat House and home became their second home. Later the

building was used for fur preparation so the camaraderie around work continued late in his life. His friends young and old visited in the evenings comfortable to have a chat by the wood stove while a chore got done. He loved a well-told story and was good at telling them too. Politicians and inanimate objects were subjected to his legendary creative expletives.

Lorne was a life long hockey fan. He played as a youth and seldom missed a Leafs' game on Saturday night. But his real pleasure came when watching his grandsons and neighbourhood boys develop as players and men. In his later

years he also took great pleasure from his vegetable garden and the produce it provided for his family and friends.

Liberal and liberal minded, Lorne was always supportive of any new venture, sport or business. Somewhat of a philosopher he often said 'If you think you can, you will, and by all means enjoy yourself while you're at it!' His strong sense of fun, right and wrong, fair play, and responsibility for family and community was infectious.

Lorne Greenaway died in Huntsville, Ontario on March 8, 2008. Knox United Church and Sunday School Room, Dorset, Ontario overflowed with friends and family as Rev. Derek Shelly conducted a service there on Saturday, March 15, 2008 celebrating Lorne's life. Musical accompaniment was provided by friends John McLennan and

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**LORNE
GREENAWAY**



Lorne Elroy Greenaway
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Nina Robertson; words in Lorne's memory were delivered by his niece Marina McLennan (Jackett), daughter Joan Dowling and grandson Cody Ryan. The Lifeliners graciously provided a luncheon for a capacity crowd at the Dorset Recreation Centre following the service for this well loved man. In lieu of flowers please contribute to the charity of your choice or the Dorset Recreation Centre or the Dorset Heritage Museum by calling (705) 789-8982.

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NOTICE

The Council of the County of Haliburton will be holding a 2008 Budget Meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at 1:00pm in the County Council Chambers at 11 Newcastle St., Minden. The public is invited to attend.



Township of Algonquin Highlands

NOTICE

Notice is hereby provided that the regularly scheduled Council meetings for the Township of Algonquin Highlands for May, June, July, August and September 2008 have been changed to one (1) meeting per month to be held on the following dates:

Thursday, May 15, 2008
Thursday, June 19, 2008
Thursday, July 17, 2008
Thursday, August 21, 2008
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**Thursday, April 17, 2008
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- **Apr 3:** Figure out Food Labels – with registered dietitian Rosie Kadwell, 10:30 am in Haliburton, 2 pm in Minden. Please call 457-1391 ext. 245 for more information and to sign up.
- **Apr 4:** Coboconk Legion's Annual Spaghetti Dinner. A full coarse meal for \$10.00 a fund raiser for our building fund starting at 5:30pm.
- **Apr 5:** Maplefest "All you can eat" Pancake Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale at Lochlin United Church 9 am – 1pm, Lochlin Rd, off Gelert Rd (County Rd 1), Lochlin. The best deal in town! Real Haliburton Maple Syrup
- **Apr 7:** The Children's Learning Centre will be holding an Open House from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Bring your children to our newly renovated centre (the only licensed day care in Minden), take part in some fun activities, have some refreshments on us, and learn about other child care options in Haliburton County. For more information, call us at 286-4074 or email to oeycdaycare@bellnet.ca.
- **Apr 9 –** Free Dental Screenings for children are available by appointment from 10-12 at the Haliburton OEYC. For more information please call 457-2989. This opportunity is in partnership with HKPR Health Unit.
- **Apr 9:** Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group Meeting will take place in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (back door). The doors open at 6pm for business and chat. The speaker at 7pm will be Dr. R.B. (Rae) Fleming, historian, biographer and author. Topic "General Stores of Canada: Merchants and Memories". No charge. Everyone Welcome. Refreshments available. Bring & Win Raffle. For more info contact Gail Leach-Chung 286-2225.
- **Apr 13:** Spring Fashion Show – Bonnie View Lake Inn on Lake Kashawigamog – Working with Miss Lester's of Huntsville, and Baubles N' Bonbons of Haliburton, Community Care will be presenting Bridal Wear, Prom Dresses, Evening Wear, Costumes and assorted other fashions along with beautiful Bling and Chocolates. Coffee, Tea, and Treats will be served after the Fashion Show. Tickets are \$20 (limited seating). Tickets can be purchased at Baubles N' Bonbons in Haliburton, the Storeroom in Minden, and at Community Care.
- **Apr 15:** From Lullabies to Literacy at the Haliburton OEYC starting Apr. 15. For parents and children 0-6yrs. Come for a relaxed morning to help your child to love books through activities, song, and stories. For more information or to register at 286-4625 or with Point in Time Centre at 457-5345.
- **Apr 16:** Garlic Workshop with MC Robb, Sponsored by the Haliburton County Farmers Association at 7pm sharp at the Minden Community Centre, Room 2. Admission by donation and door prizes are available.
- **Apr 19:** Minden OEYC Mega Machines Day – from 10-1pm Dads with preschool children bring you family to the centre for this special event. Check out the construction equipment and model trains on display, build a creation out of wood and enjoy a pizza lunch together. For more information please phone Minden OEYC at 286-1770.
- **Apr 23:** Parent Talk Time Minden OEYC – Infant Massage. Come and discover the joys and benefits of infant massage. Claire Sylvan from Point in Time and Joanne Bohnec will be here to demonstrate and teach parents proper techniques and discuss the importance of caring touch. For more info call 286-1770.
- **Apr 26:** Kinmount Committee for Planning and Development – will be holding it's Annual Dinner/Auction at the Galway Hall. Tickets are \$25. Dinner starts at 7pm. Exciting prizes to be won include VIA Rail Passes, Tickets to the Stratford Festival, Agawa Canyon Trail Tour passes and much more! Contact Joyce Brown 488-2687 or Diane Austin 488-2635.

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Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events in the Highlands.

For more ongoing events check The Weekender.

Kinmount library reopens



AROUND THE TOWN

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Here at the old farmhouse the invasion of the ladybugs continues to the point where last Tuesday I called in to Mike Rhames on Canoe FM. Mike, who answers questions about home repairs and related issues on the last Tuesday morning of each month, was sympathetic to my plight. He assured me I was not alone. Mike reported receiving other similar inquiries and as a result had contacted his pest control resource. He hopes to have information for listeners on his next visit at the end of April. Thanks Mike for taking this problem under your wing and also for your positive comments on the Kinmount Farmers' Market and its homemade pies.

There is good news that the Kinmount library reopened on Saturday, March 29 and that no fines will be charged on books signed out before the strike as long as they are returned on or before April 7. The Friends of the Kinmount Library will once again hold its regular monthly book sale on Saturday, April 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lower level of the library.

Local musician Cass Marie and the Black Feather Band are proud to present the debut of their CD *Love's Uncertain* with a concert in honour of its release on Saturday, April 5 at 8 p.m. in the Kinmount Community Centre. Tickets are \$15 and the opening act will be Laurel McCauley and Guy Pritchard. Call Ian at 754-1266 for advance ticket information or buy your ticket at the door. You can listen ahead to some of the songs at www.myspace.com.cassmarieandtheblackfeatherband. Do come out and support this talented group.

This Earth Day, April 22, the public is invited to learn more about the adventures and achievements of Canadian explorer, biologist and author Ron Lawrence at the grand opening of the R. D. Lawrence Place in Minden. This sustainable building, located at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, houses a fascinating look at his life and the many environmental causes he championed. Renowned for wildlife and wolf rescue Ron Lawrence wrote 30 internationally published books and his legacy as an educator will live on with R. D. Lawrence Place. The official opening ceremony will be at 2 p.m. with demonstrations, activities and an open house from 1 to 5 p.m. (rdlawrenceplace@minden-hills.ca).

Now for the scoring news with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

March 25 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: In first place at 322 was the duo of Grace Barrack and Clayton Hummel then Connie Sawyer and Merv Elstone second at 272. Ellen Holden and Flo Roussel took third spot at 270 while Dorene Elstone teamed with Marg Worrell had the afternoon's low of 88. Thanks to Pearl Cowen for this update.

March 25 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Pauline Franzen led the ladies at 269 with Margaret Fletcher 260 second and Jean Scadden 229 third. Tops for the gents was Ida Young 296 then Don Burch 280 and Archie Ross 246. Draw winners were Bev Johnson, George Bull, Mary Kennedy and Tom Grix while Ida Young and Bev Johnson took the moonshots.

March 25 contract bridge at Stanhope: Leading the high scores was Willie Cox with 7170 followed by Reet Murray 6550, Ross Fletcher 5830 and Harold Cox 5520. The lucky draw went to June Branning, the Shiny Penny to Muriel McIntosh and Willie Cox received the W.W.W. Award, no reference to the Internet

but for being Wee Wily Willie. Ross Fletcher reminds that there will not be bridge at this location on April 8 due to facility upgrades.

March 26 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system Margo and Tom Davidson were first at 68% then Freda Norman and Norma Crewson second at 62% and in third spot at 58% Kathie Porter and Rob Eaton.

March 26 bid euchre at Stanhope: Single moonshots went to Helen Windsor, Tom Macartney, Gala Stamp, Jean Dutka and Helen Henderson with Jack Cox taking two. At 287 Mary Pearson was high for the pinks with Sharron Atkinson next at 217 followed closely by Jean Scadden at 216. Tops for the white cards was Jack Cox at 294 then Tom Pearson 286 and our reporter Gala Stamp at 268.

March 27 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were our reporter May Bradbury and Tom Grix while Verna McDonald and Ron Morrison recorded the evening's high scores. Hazel Dorman and Don Burch had the lows with John Mallon, Verna McDonald, Jim Bradbury, Sharon Jarvis and Bev Johnson taking home the other prizes.

March 28 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Using the Howell system top honours went to Bruce Armstrong and Ross Fletcher at 59% then Freda Norman partnered with Heather Lindsay 58% and Helen Baker and Kathie Porter in third spot at 52%.

March 28 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Doreen Francis reports that Martha Harding won for high hands and the special prize, Carol Derbyshire for lone hands and Jean Ingram for low hands. After running for a six week period the "Share the Wealth" jackpot was drawn. Congratulations go to the winner Bill Lawrence along with appreciation for his generous donation to the Club.

March 28 bid euchre at Club 35: Moonshots landed on Cliff Davison (2), Garth Windsor, Jean Scadden and Colleen Davison while Helen Windsor had the hidden score. Leading the pinks was Dorene Elstone 297 then Colleen Davison 271 and Betty Wagar 232 with Garth Windsor first for the white cards at 309 followed by Leroy Mowat 254 and Pat Scadden 249.

March 29 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Albert Foster and Tom Grix took the moonshots with Tom also first for the whites at 292, Pat Scadden next at 282 and Theresa Deak third at 267. Pink power was with Isobel Cherwenka first at 290, Vi Howell second at 259 and June Branning third at 240.

March 31 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Pearl Cowen and Betty Sharpe with the high scores recorded by Verna McDonald and our reporter Tim Sharpe. Gwen Cox held the hidden score while Valerie Clarke and Mabel Deacon had the afternoon's lows. Valerie also won a special prize of the day along with Pearl Cowen.

March 31 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top trio were Theresa Deak at 296, our reporter Pauline Franzen a close second at 295 and Tom Grix third at 250. Sharron Atkinson won the special draw and took a moonshot along with Theresa Deak and Dorothy McElwain.

March 31 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Ron Morrison won for high hands, Carolyn Smale and Murray Daniels for lone hands, Jesse Barlow for low hands and Ray St. Pierre for the draw.

March 31 cribbage at Minden Legion: The top trio members in order were Pat Scadden, Jean Scadden and Joe Rivers with the other prizes of the evening going to Betty Jochim, Gwen Cox, Verna McDonald, Don Hicks, Sandy Bell and Edith Burch.

March 31 euchre at Club 35: Holding the most lone hands was Ray Sisson with Cliff Davison the bologna winner. For the ladies Jean Randell was high and Linda Voycey low while Robert McIvor led the gents and Tom Pearson took low man.

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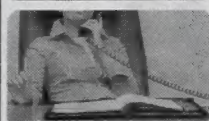
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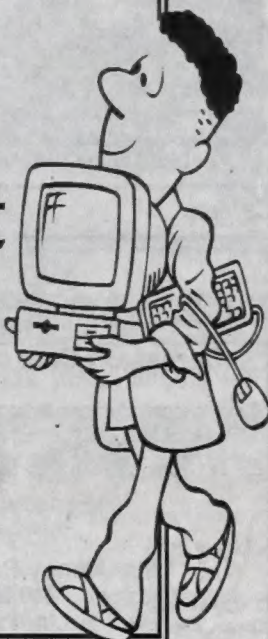
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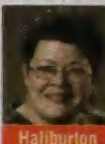
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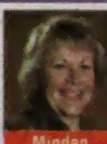
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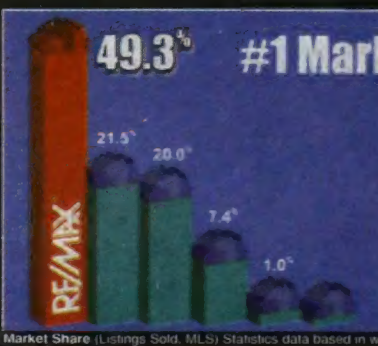
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